

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF TENNESSEE  
AT NASHVILLE**

JOHN ANTHONY GENTRY, )  
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Plaintiff,             )  
                          )       **No. 3:17-cv-00020**  
v.                      )  
                          )       **Judge Trauger/Magistrate Judge Holmes**  
THE TENNESSEE BOARD OF )  
JUDICIAL CONDUCT, ET AL., )  
                          )  
Defendants.            )

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**RESPONSE IN OPPOSITION TO  
PLAINTIFF'S MOTION FOR DEFENDANTS' COUNSEL TO WITHDRAW**

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The Tennessee Attorney General and Reporter has discretion to provide civil defense representation to state employees, and to determine the manner in which such representation is provided. Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-42-103. All decisions made by the Attorney General and Reporter are final and cannot be reviewed by “any court,” and certainly not by Plaintiff. *See* Tenn. Code Ann. § 8-42-108.

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